
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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2015

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JUNE 5, 2015

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
JUNE 5, 2015

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the week of June 6 through 14, 2015, as "All-Terrain
2 Vehicle Safety Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, More than 300,000 all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) are
4 registered in Pennsylvania and are enjoyed by thousands of
5 residents, families and visitors in pursuit of outdoor
6 recreation; and

7 WHEREAS, ATV riding opportunities attract visitors and
8 continue to contribute to this Commonwealth's tourism industry
9 and associated industries; and

10 WHEREAS, ATV riding activities contribute more than \$2
11 billion to the Commonwealth's economy; and

12 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Off-Highway Vehicle Association and
13 the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, along with
14 ATV safety instructors and the Specialty Vehicle Institute of
15 America, have joined together to educate the public about safe

1 and responsible ATV riding practices; and

2 WHEREAS, Responsible riding practices, such as obeying State
3 laws, operating at safe speeds, completing ATV safety training
4 and abstaining from alcohol consumption while operating or
5 riding an ATV help make this Commonwealth's ATV riding
6 experience safe and enjoyable; and

7 WHEREAS, The golden rules of ATV safety include:

8 (1) always wearing a Department of Transportation-
9 compliant helmet, goggles, long sleeves, long pants, over-
10 the-ankle boots and gloves;

11 (2) never riding on paved roads except to cross when
12 done safely and permitted by law;

13 (3) never riding under the influence of alcohol or
14 drugs;

15 (4) never carrying a passenger on a single-rider ATV and
16 never carrying more than one passenger on an ATV specifically
17 designed for two people;

18 (5) riding an ATV that is right for your age;

19 (6) supervising riders younger than 16 years of age;

20 (7) riding only on designated trails at a safe speed;

21 and

22 (8) taking a hands-on ATV RiderCourse and a free online
23 course offered through the ATV Safety Institute;

24 and

25 WHEREAS, The ATV Safety Institute, a nonprofit organization
26 dedicated to improving the safety of ATV riders, has declared
27 June 6 through 14, 2015, as "National ATV Safety Week";
28 therefore be it

29 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
30 week of June 6 through 14, 2015, as "All-Terrain Vehicle Safety

1 Week" in Pennsylvania; and be it further

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives urge all
3 residents to join in the observation of this week by taking an
4 ATV training course, riding safely and responsibly and following
5 the golden rules of ATV safety.